



# Teens! Do you like to write? Would you like to contribute to your community?

If this sounds like you, fill out the attached application and you may be selected as the next

### PLEASANTON TEEN POET LAUREATE

One Teen Poet Laureate will be selected from each high school to serve during the 2013-14 school year. Community service credit hours apply.

## Accepting applications NOW through the DEADLINE on Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013

The purpose of this program is to promote writing among today's youth and help to develop and foster an appreciation for composing, reading, reciting, and listening to poetry. The Teen Poet Laureate will coordinate casual poetry readings and gatherings on the school campus, and accompany an Adult Pleasanton Poet Laureate during occasional visits to schools in the Pleasanton Unified School District. The Teen Poet Laureate may also wish to organize and hold his/her own poetry event.

To be considered for the program, an applicant must be a junior or senior, enrolled, and in good standing, in a Pleasanton high school.

The Teen Poet Laureate will serve in conjunction with, and under the supervision of the current adult Poet Laureate and City Staff. The Poet Laureate Program is a program of the City of Pleasanton's Civic Arts division.

### **2013-14 Pleasanton Teen Poet Laureate Application**

	Name:			
	Address:			
	Phone:	Cell		
	Email:			
	High School:	gh School:		
		unior Senior		
List three people, their phone number and relationship to you so that we may contact them for references. Work, social and academic references are best.				
	1. Name		_	
	Phone		_	
	Relationship		-	
	2. Name		_	
	Phone			
	Relationship		_	
	3. Name		_	
	Phone		_	
	Relationship		_	

On a separate sheet of paper, please write and attach a short statement (about a half page) of the goals you would like to accomplish as Pleasanton's Teen Poet Laureate. Also include an informal list of school activities and courses you will be a part of during the school year.

Attach a copy (do not send original) of either two poems you have authored, or one poem and an additional short written piece.

#### Applications are due by 12:00 noon Friday, August 2nd

Please drop off your completed packet at the Pleasanton Community Services Office located at 200 Old Bernal Avenue across from the library parking lot, or mail to Julie Finegan, P.O. Box 520, Pleasanton, 94566.

Once applications are received, qualified applicants will be contacted to participate in a brief live interview.

For further information contact
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